

d.) Remarks

Regarding paragraph 2 of the instant Action, applicant notes with regret that paragraphs [0037] and [0054] were amended with erroneous data concerning the referenced U.S. patent application. In the present amendment, this has been
5 corrected by canceling the previous changes, and adding serial no. 10/671,953, which was filed simultaneously with the present application. Furthermore, counsel asserts that the '953 application was the only simultaneously filed application by applicant, and that the title of the '953 application is an exact match for the original mention of the related simultaneous filing. Thus applicant has
10 corrected these two paragraphs without adding any new matter, and this objection under §132(a) has been overcome.


Regarding paragraph 5 of the instant Action, applicant has corrected claims 27 and 28 by stating the step of displaying an input cursor at the head end of said modifier arrow, and entering at said input cursor a modifier word that describes
15 said type of graphic chart. This language precisely states the method as described, for example, in paragraph [0043] et seq. Therefore the rejection of claims 27 and 28 under §112 has been overcome.

Regarding paragraph 7 of the instant Action, applicant has implemented the suggestions for correcting claims 1 and 14 as stated in the rejection under §112.
20 That is, lines 5-10 of claim 1 and lines 7-12 of claim 14 have been rewritten to more clearly show that the method steps proceed from broad step to more narrow steps. For example, claim 1 now states that the second step involves selectively associating the graphic control devices to respective numeric settings and text

labels, as depicted in Figure 1 of the application, so that the numeric values of the graphic control devices correspond to the chart components to be displayed in a graphic chart that is being created. I also states that the final step of displaying the chart components takes place in the type of graphic chart that is specified in the step of modifying the first arrow. Thus the final step refers back to the type of graphic chart specified in the previous step, so that the progression of steps is clarified. Likewise, claim 14 has been amended to state in the last step of displaying the chart components takes place in the type of graphic chart that is set by the previous step of modifying the first arrow to specify the chart type. These changes to claims 1 and 14 overcome the rejection under §112.

All remaining claims are either allowed, or indicated as allowable upon correction of the independent claims. Since the independent claims are now allowable, all claims now presented for examination are believed to be allowable, and this application in condition for issuance. Action toward that end is earnestly solicited.

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